

Revenue Department - Land on lease to Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre for the construction of of Dr. A.P.J.Abdul Kalam Knowledge Centre and Space Museum at Kowdiar – Amendment to the lease condition – Sanctioned - Orders issued.

REVENUE (U) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.261/2024/RD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 17-12-2024

Read: 1. G.O.(Ms)No.142/2023/RD dated 22/06/2023.

2. Letter No.VSSC/C.CON/C-8/2024 dated 16/10/2024 from the Chief Controller, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram.

<u>ORDER</u>

As per the Government Order read as 1st paper above, an extent of 52.63 Ares (130 cents) of land was leased out to Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre for the setting up of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Knowledge Centre and Space Museum in Peroorkada Village, Block No.22, Survey No.2 part in Thiruvananthapuram Taluk invoking Rule 21(ii) of Assignment of Land within Municipal and Corporation Areas Rules, 1995, subject to specific conditions. The 2nd condition was that the construction should be started within one year of the assignment of the land.

2) The Chief Controller, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram vide his letter read as 2nd paper above, informed that they have executed a lease agreement on 30/10/2023 for a period of 30 years and stipulated lease rent has also been remitted for the financial year 2023 -24. They have submitted a conceptual design scheme/plan to Art & Heritage Commission, Kerala for clearance and the proposal has been cleared by the Commission with minor modifications. Based on the suggestions, design schemes are being fine-tuned by VSSC and assure that the same will be submitted to Town Planning Authorities shortly for clearance, for obtaining construction permit from local authorities. They have already commenced the site preparatory works like site clearance, marking of trees and removal of trees fouling with proposed lay out etc. with approval of concerned local authorities. The Chief Controller requested to extend the time limit stipulated in the lease agreement for commencing the construction works of the Knowledge Centre & Space Museum for a further period of 4 months so that all the statutory formalities can be completed.

3) Government have examined the matter in detail. Considering the circumstances mentioned in the letter read above, Government are pleased to amend the 2nd condition in para 4 of the GO(Ms)No.142/2023/RD dated 22/06/2023 by extending the time limit for starting the construction work for a further period of 6 months with effect from 30/10/2024.

4) The Government Order read as 1st paper above stands modified to the above extent.

(By order of the Governor) GOPAKUMAR R L ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

The Commissioner, Land Revenue, Thiruvananthapuram.

The District Collector, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram. Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram. Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

General Administration (SC) Department.

Finance Department.

Public Relations (Web & New Media) Department.

G.O(Ms)No.142/2023/RD dated 22/06/2023.

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Section Officer

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